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Applicant(s) : Focaracci, et al.  
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For : **LASER DEVICE AND METHOD FOR  
COLLAPSING HYBRIDIZATION  
SUBSTRATE**  
Customer No. : 22896

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)**  
**UNDER CFR § 1.114**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The Applicants herein request continued examination under **37 CFR §1.114**, and make submission of amended claims and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Corrections to the Drawings** begin on page 6 of this paper and include an annotated sheet showing changes. Two Replacement Sheets are being submitted concurrently with this Amendment.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.